(b) if so, whether this would adversely affect the comparatively better service provided by private airlines; and

(c) whether there have been any glaring cases of violation of security by these private airlines which necessitated this action?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDI): (a) At present, under the Airports Authority of India (General Management, Entry for Ground Handling Services) Regulations, 2000, private airlines or their majority holding subsidiary company are authorized to do ground handling of their own flights only on self-handling basis;

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

Subletting of parking contract at Ahmedabad Airport

141. SHRI RAJU PARMAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Airports Authority of India (AAI) has awarded parking contract to a private firm at Ahmedabad Airport;

(b) if so, what is the name of the contractor to whom the contract was awarded recently with the terms and conditions of the contract;

(c) whether the contractor has sublet the contract of parking to some other person who is charging exorbitantly from car owners; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The contract was awarded to M/s. Garuda Service Works, Mumbai, for a period of five years with effect from 01.08.2002 on licence fee of Rs. 4,53,786/- per month. The licence fee has been increased to Rs. 5,89,992/- per month with effect from 01.12.2002 due to upward revision of tariff. The amount of licence fee is also subject to 10% compound escalation every year.

(c) and (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Disruption of Alliance Air's schedule

142. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Alliance Air's schedule has been disrupted after a number of its aircraft were seconded for the Prime Minister and other VIP's;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Indian Airlines has been asked to fly on these routes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Expansion and modernisation of Kanpur Airport

143. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the proposals that are under consideration of the Government to expand and modernise Kanpur Airport;

(b) whether the facilities at the airport are likely to be provided to facilitate the operation of daily flight services from Kanpur-Delhi and *vice versa*; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDI): (a) Airports Authority of India (AAI) has no proposal, at present, to expand and modernise Kanpur Airport.

(b) and (c) No airline company has requested AAI for operation of scheduled flights through Kanpur Airport.